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No Impact Week



Welcome to Waste Day - Day 2 of No Impact Week!

Did you know that on average, each American produces more than 4 lbs. of trash every day? Many communities around the country (including Statesboro) are struggling with limited landfill space and send their trash 100+ miles away. This increases transportation cost, fossil fuel use and emissions. But you can often avoid making trash if you plan ahead and think about waste when you are making purchases. Today, and for the rest of the week, we challenge you to get creative and to make no trash (excluding safety protocols required during the COVID-19 pandemic).

Statistics



THE GOOD THE BETTER THE BEST

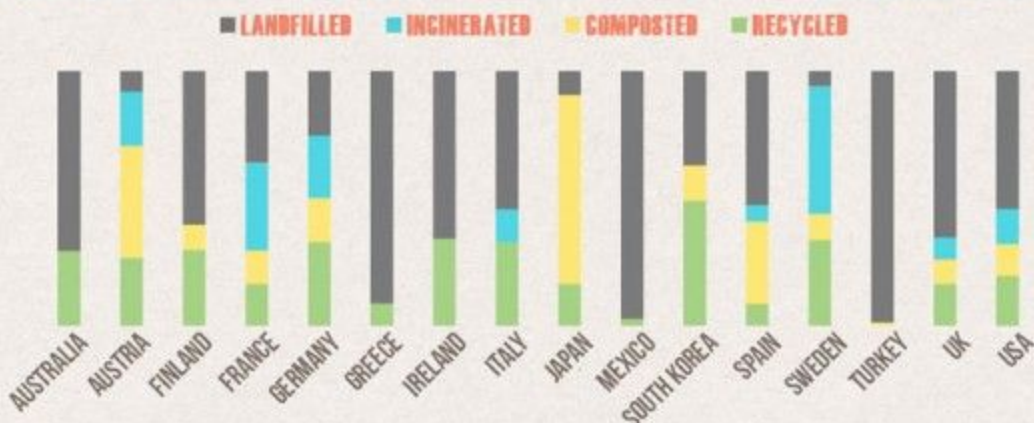


THE AVERAGE FAMILY THROWS AWAY
6 TREES WORTH OF PAPER

IT TAKES THE SAME AMOUNT OF ENERGY TO MAKE **ONE**
NEW CAN AS IT DOES TO MAKE **20** RECYCLED CANS.



HOW ARE WE DISPOSING OF OUR WASTE?



THE MOST COMMON TYPES OF WASTE



EVERY TON OF PAPER RECYCLED SAVES...

7 TREES
275 POUNDS OF SULFUR
350 POUNDS OF LIMESTONE
9,000 POUNDS OF STEAM
60,000 GALLONS OF WATER
3.3 CUBIC YARDS OF LANDFILL SPACE

IN THE UNITED STATES,
TRASH IS PRODUCED AT A RATE OF
1.609 LBS PER **PERSON** PER **YEAR**

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO DECOMPOSE?



IF ALL OF OUR NEWSPAPERS WERE
RECYCLED, WE COULD SAVE ABOUT

250 MILLION TREES EACH YEAR!



♣ = 1 MILLION



Challenge of the Day



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Today's goal is to make NO trash. We challenge you to reduce, reuse, and throw nothing away. Tag us in your photos with any of the following hashtags: [#recycling](#) [#recycle](#) [#reuse](#)
[#plasticfree](#) [#truebluegreentoo](#) [#NIW](#)

Activity

At-home Closet Exchange



In this At-home Closet Exchange, we want you to go through your closet and trade items of clothing with close friends and relatives in your household. This is a quick and easy way to prevent textile waste.

Things to Watch

Documentaries:

- Trash (Netflix)
- Plastic Wars [\(Youtube\)](#)

Youtube:

Click [here](#) for an "Elizabeth Cline -- The Conscious Closet Playlist" Youtube playlist created by your CfS team.

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